# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## **FISCAL NOTE**

## HB 2481 - SB 2456

January 30, 2012

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes the governing body of counties with a charter form of government, upon adoption of a resolution, to establish its own schedule of court clerk fees. Requires upon passage of such resolution, and upon the establishment of a schedule of clerk fees, a copy of the resolution and fee structure to be forwarded to the Administrative Office of the Courts by the county's governing body.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Other Fiscal Impact – Potential changes to local government revenue. The extent of any revenue changes is dependent upon unknown factors. As a result, the fiscal impact for this bill cannot be quantified with reasonable certainty.

### Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-21-401(l), any fees assessed against the state or that otherwise represent a cost to the state in criminal cases, child support actions, mental health proceedings, actions under the Tennessee Adult Protection Act, actions with regard to child care licensing, and collection efforts brought by the Department of Human Services shall be limited to the amounts chargeable prior to January 1, 2006.
- The provisions of Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-21-401(1) remain unaffected by this bill and that any fees paid by the state to the court clerk of the affected counties will remain the same.
- The fiscal impact of this bill is dependent upon local government action to increase or decrease fees. Due to this unknown factor, the fiscal impact for this bill cannot be quantified with reasonable certainty.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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